

April 19, 2011
Noon
City of Newport

The city of Newport Airport Committee met on the above date in Conference Room A of the Newport City Hall. In attendance were Jim Churchwell, Curt Fewkes, and Jim Hawley. Also in attendance were Mayor Mark McConnell, Council Liaison Jeff Bertuleit, Airport Director Gene Cossey, and City Recorder/Special Projects Director Peggy Hawker.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - MARCH 15, 2011

MOTION was made by Fewkes, seconded by Churchwell, to approve the minutes of the meeting of March 15, 2011, as presented. The motion carried unanimously in a voice vote.

AIP PROJECT STATUS

Cossey reported that the AIP project is essentially complete. He added that the new pilot controlled lighting system needs to be tweaked, but that the beacon, sign faces, and electrical work look good.

FLYONP MARKETING CAMPAIGN REVIEW

Cossey reported that flyers have been distributed, and asked for volunteers to assist in further distribution. He noted that he is getting the word out as often as possible. He noted that the flights seem to be going well, and that SeaPort plans a stop in Salem beginning April 24. He also noted that SeaPort will trade tickets for pilot housing, including in private homes, and that he is open to suggestions.

UPDATE ON POSSIBLE RELOCATION OF TILLAMOOK AIR MUSEUM

Cossey reported that he met with the owner of the Tillamook Air Museum about the possible relocation of the Tillamook Air Museum. He will update the Committee when further information is available.

STATUS OF COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION TO RENAME A PORTION OF SE 84TH STREET

Cossey reported that the Planning Commission declined to send a recommendation, for renaming a portion of SE 84th Street, to the City Council, noting that they did not want to set a precedent. It was asked that this matter be placed on the next City Council agenda for action.

UPDATE ON BUDGET PREPARATION

Cossey reported that last year, the fuel sales were underestimated, and that will require a supplemental budget for the FBO. He also noted that a supplemental budget would be necessary for the airport due to the increased cost of the AIP project.

DISCUSSION OF MEETING TIME/DATE

It was agreed to hold the regular Airport Committee meetings on the third Thursday of the month at 2:00 P.M.

AIRPORT DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Cossey reported on the recent OAMA meeting. He reported that work is underway on a possible ConnectOregonIV grant cycle. He noted that ODOT is trying to eliminate the rural airports portion which is used as a match for AIP grants. He also mentioned that ODOT wants to eliminate the ODA.

Cossey reported that he attended the FAA Northwest/Mountain Region Conference, at which the reauthorization issue was discussed. He noted that safety management system programs will be required within the next few years, but should be scaled down for smaller airports.

A brief discussion ensued regarding the airport's part in natural disasters such as a tsunami and potential funding.

ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:13 P.M.